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PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: September 15, 1998. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG - SEPTEMBER 14.
Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt091498.pdf

Released: September 15, 1998. SECTION 214 APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING. Contact: Al McCloud at (202) 418-2499; TTY: (202) 418-0484. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1998/pncc8021.wp

Released: September 15, 1998. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU ANNOUNCES RELEASE OF 1999 NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING PLAN FUNDING WORKSHEET, FCC FORM 496. (DA No. 98-1865). Contact: Jared Carlson at (202) 418-2350; TTY: (202) 418-0484. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1998/da981865.wp

Released: September 15, 1998. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON PETITION OF THE NEW ENGLAND PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL, INC., REQUESTING PREEMPTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS' ORDER BANNING CHARGES BY PAYPHONE SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE. On June 16, 1998, the New England Public Communications Council, Inc., petitioned the Commission to declare that the continued prohibition imposed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against payphone service providers charging for intrastate directory assistance calls is preempted and without effect pursuant to Section 276 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Comments to this petition due October 15; replies October 30. (DA No. 98-1866). Contact: Al McCloud, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2499; TTY: (202) 418-0484. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1998/da981866.wp

Released: September 15, 1998. CABLE SERVICES BUREAU ACTION - CERTIFICATION WITHDRAWAL OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY BOARD. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 76.917, on a state-wide basis, the West Virginia Cable Television Advisory Board withdrew its certification to regulate basic cable rates and associated equipment. (DA No. 98-1854). Action by: Acting Division Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Public_Notices/1998/da981854.wp

Report No: 44326. Released: September 15, 1998. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Actions/ac980915.txt

Report No: 24326. Released: September 15, 1998. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Applications/ap980915.txt

Released: September 15, 1998. EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY COMMENT PERIOD FILINGS IN PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSE PROCEEDINGS. Contact: Barbara Lowe, Office of the Secretary at

(202) 418-0310. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/Exparte/1998/ex980915.html

SPEECHES

REMARKS OF WILLIAM E. KENNARD, CHAIRMAN, FCC - THE INTERNATIONAL RADIO AND TELEVISION SOCIETY, NEW YORK, NY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1998. Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Speeches/Kennard/spwek827.html>

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BELL ATLANTIC - VIRGINIA. Amended order released September 2, 1998, regarding Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc. Petition for Limited Modification of LATA Boundaries to Provide Expanded Local Calling Services. Action by Deputy Chief, Network Services Division. Adopted: September 15, 1998. by Erratum. CCB

TIME WARNER CABLE. Granted complaint filed against the January 1, 1998, cable programming services tier rate increase Time Warner Cable was charging in Medford, MA. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 10, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1839). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981839.wp>

TIME WARNER CABLE. Granted complaint filed against the January 1, 1998, cable programming services tier rate increase Time Warner Cable was charging in Lynn, MA. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 10, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1840). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981840.wp>

TIME WARNER CABLE. Granted complaint filed against the January 1, 1998, cable programming services tier rate increase Time Warner Cable was charging in Fairhaven, MA. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 10, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1841). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981841.wp>

CABLEVISION SYSTEMS. Granted complaint filed against Cablevision Systems' January 1, 1998, cable programming services tier rate increase in Brookhaven, Islip and Smithtown, NY. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 11, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1842). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981842.wp>

CABLEVISION SYSTEMS. Granted complaint filed against Cablevision Systems' January 1, 1998 cable programming service tier rate increase in Great Neck, NY. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 11, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1843). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981843.wp>

CABLEVISION SYSTEMS. Granted complaint filed against Cablevision Systems' January 1, 1998, cable programming service tier rate increase in Port Chester, NY. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 11, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1844). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981844.wp>

CABLEVISION SYSTEMS. Granted complaint filed against Cablevision Systems' January 1, 1998, cable programming service tier rate increase in Islip, NY. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 11,

1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1845). CSB Internet URL:
<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981845.wp>

CABLEVISION SYSTEMS. Granted complaint filed against Cablevision Systems' January 1, 1998, rate increase for cable programming services tier in New Hyde Park, NY. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 11, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1855). CSB Internet URL:
<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981855.wp>

CONFORMANCE OF FCC REGULATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS FOR ISM EQUIPMENT. Terminated this proceeding, ET Docket No. 91-313. Dkt No.: ET- 91-313. Action by Office Chief. Adopted: September 15, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1808). OET Contact: Nancy Walls at (202) 418-2454. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/Orders/1998/da981808.wp

KEN AND MARTHA PEKAREK. Dismissed as moot Petition for Reconsideration filed by Ken and Martha Pekarek on February 16, 1995 re: the cancellation of their single- channel conventional 800 MHz Specialized Mobile Radio station license in Durham, NC. Action by Chief, Commercial Wireless Division. Adopted: September 15, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1858). WTB Internet URL:
<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981858.wp>

WILLIAM E. SPRUILL, JR./ THETA TRUST PARTNERSHIP. Dismissed as moot Cal-One Cellular Limited Partnership's Petition to Deny the Phase I Unserved Area Application of William E. Spruill, Jr./Theta Trust Partnership for Market 336B. Action by Chief, Commercial Wireless Division. Adopted: September 15, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1859). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981859.wp>

ADDENDA: The following items, released September 14, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 177:

NEWS RELEASES

COMMON CARRIER ACTION - FCC APPROVES MERGER OF WORLDCOM AND MCI (CC DOCKET NO. 97-211) - REPORT NO. CC 98-26. The Commission approved the transfer of communications licenses and authorizations from MCI Communications Corp. to WorldCom, Inc., subject to two conditions: MCI must complete divestiture of its Internet assets prior to the close of its merger with WorldCom, and the transfer of MCI's direct broadcast satellite license to WorldCom is subject to the outcome of pending applications for review of the initial license grant to MCI. The Commission found that, with these conditions, the merger will serve the public interest. Action by the Commission September 14, 1998, by Memorandum Opinion and Order (FCC 98-225). News Media Contact: Rochelle Cohen (202) 418-0253. CCB Contact: Michelle M. Carey at (202) 418-1557; TTY: (202) 418-2555. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1998/nrcc8061.html

PUBLIC NOTICES

Report No: SPB-138. Released: September 14, 1998. INTERNATIONAL BUREAU SATELLITE POLICY BRANCH INFORMATION. Contact: Chris Murphy at (202) 418-2373. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public_Notices/1998/pnin8226.wp

Report No: 2296. Released: September 14, 1998. PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND CLARIFICATION OF ACTION IN RULEMAKING PROCEEDINGS. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/1998/pnmc8055.wp

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WORLDOM, INC. AND MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION. The Commission approved the transfer of communications licenses and authorizations from MCI Communications Corp. to WorldCom, Inc., subject to two conditions: MCI must complete divestiture of its Internet assets prior to the close of its merger with WorldCom, and the transfer of MCI's direct broadcast satellite license to WorldCom is subject to the outcome of pending applications for review of the initial license grant to MCI. The Commission found that, with these conditions, the merger will serve the public interest. Dkt No.: CC- 97-211. Action by the Commission. Adopted: September 14, 1998. by MO&O. (FCC No. 98-225). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1998/fcc98225.pdf

LYNCSTAR INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS, LLC. Granted Lyncstar Integrated Communications, LLC's application for open video system certification for portions of Aurora, Adams County, and Denver, Colorado. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 11, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-1852). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981852.wp>

MOBEX COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Denied Mobex's request to treat its short-form application to participate in the Phase II 220 MHz Service auction as if it were withdrawn prior to the August 17, 1998 short-form deadline so that Mobex would not be subject to the anti-collusion rule, 47 C.F.R. Section 1.2105(c). Action by Chief, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division. by Letter. (DA No. 98-1861). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981861.wp>

VIACOM BROADCASTING OF SEATTLE, INC. Granted the Petition for Reconsideration filed by Viacom Broadcasting of Seattle, Inc. in connection with its pro forma applications to assign its private operational fixed service licenses from Viacom to Paramount Stations Group of New Orleans/Norfolk, Seattle, Inc., another wholly owned subsidiary of Viacom's parent company; ordered that Viacom's applications for assignment of license be processed. Action by Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division. Adopted: September 14, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1832). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981832.wp>

MOTION FOR TEMPORARY STAY OF THE 220 MHZ SERVICE AUCTION SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 1998. Denied Net Radio Group Communications, L.L.C.'s (NRG) Motion for Temporary Stay to stay the start of the Commission's Phase II 220 MHz Service auction, scheduled to begin September 15, 1998. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 14, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1856). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981856.wp>

REQUEST OF COLUMBIA CAPITAL CORPORATION FOR A STAY OF THE 220 MHZ SERVICE APPLICATION AND AUCTION SCHEDULE. Dismissed as moot Columbia Capital Corporation's Request for Stay Pending Judicial Review regarding a stay of the short-form application date, the auction date, and other dates specified by the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau in the Public Notice released May 29, 1998, announcing the upcoming Phase II 220 MHz auction. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: September 14, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1857). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981857.wp>